

SPS WEEKEND EVENTS

GALA ART AUCTION FUNDRAISER

Tonight, April 22, Preview 8 pm, Auction 9 pm

Wine & Cheese - \$18 per person, \$118 VIP PACKAGE AVAILABLE!

Haven't purchased tickets yet? They're available to buy at the door!

Please join us in honoring

VERA WINITCH, 2017 TORAH FUND HONOREE

at the MetroNorth / Metropolitan Area Women's League for
Conservative Judaism Torah Fund Luncheon



Sunday, April 23 at 12:30 pm at SPS, registration at noon

Everyone welcome – Men and Women!

Luncheon \$40 per person plus donation to the Torah Fund

***Information & reservation forms for these events can be found on
the table in our lobby.***

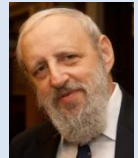
YOM HASHOAH (HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE)

Monday, April 24 at 7:15 pm

Pay tribute to those who lost their lives in the darkest period of Jewish history.

- Survivors' candlelight march
- SPS Kol Rinah Adult Choir
- Lighting of memorial candles
- SPS Rinah Youth Choir

Guest Speaker: **RABBI JOSEPH POLAK** will discuss
***The Children, the Children The Legacy of the Infant
& Toddler Survivors***



Rabbi Rachel Ain | Cantor Dov Keren | Shari Pochapin, President
Minna Schneider, Executive Director | Harriet Janover, Director, Programming
and Member Services | Lesley Goldenberg, Education Director
Lindsay Bennett, Kaplan Nursery School Director

Parashat Shemini - Shabbat Mevarkhim Hahodesh

Torah (Leviticus 9:1-11:47): Etz Hayim p. 630-642

Haftarah (2 Samuel 6:1-7:17): Etz Hayim p. 643-648

TORAH READING SUMMARY

On the eighth day of the consecration of Aaron and his sons, Moses instructs Aaron to take a calf for a sin offering and an unblemished ram for a burnt offering, and to tell the Israelites to bring several other offerings, since this would be the day that God would “appear” before Israel. After Aaron blesses the Israelites, a fire emerges from God and consumes the burnt offering and fats that are on the altar. But Aaron’s two oldest sons, Nadav and Avihu, each take a fire-pan with fire and incense, resulting in a “strange fire” that God had not commanded. Instantly, fire emerges from God and consumes Nadav and Avihu. Moses offers a cryptic explanation for their deaths, which is met by Aaron’s silence. Moses coordinates the removal of Nadav and Avihu’s bodies, then tells Aaron and his surviving sons not to mourn and not to leave their posts in the Tent of Meeting. God then speaks to Aaron, commanding the new priests not to be under the influence of wine or beer while in the Tent of Meeting. Moses then squabbles with Aaron’s other sons, Eleazar and Itamar, for not eating the purification offering. This time, Aaron is not silent; he defends his sons, because they are mourning the loss of a sibling. Moses backs off. The text presents a lengthy list of the animals that are proper for the Israelites to eat. God tells the Israelites not to “draw abomination upon” themselves.

Morning Minyan will be held at 7:45 am Wednesday, April 26 and Thursday, April 27 for Rosh Chodesh.

ISRAEL INDEPENDENCE DAY YOM HA’ATZMAUT KABBALAT SHABBAT MUSICAL CELEBRATION

Friday, April 28, Service at 6:15 pm

EAST MEETS WEST led by

accompanied by:



Cantor Magda Fishman



Rabbi Rachel Ain



Cantor Dov Keren



Avram Pengas
Guitar/Bouzouki



Assaf Glezner
Pianist



David Silliman
Percussionist

Shabbat dinner & program follows at 7:30 pm

Donation: \$18 per person

Advance paid dinner reservations requested (sps@spsnyc.org).

TRIBUTE, BOOK REVIEW & DISCUSSION WITH AUTHOR DAN EPHRON

In honor of **Linda Sitnick** of blessed memory

Tuesday, May 23, Buffet reception: 6:30 pm
Program begins promptly at 7:30 pm

Thanks to the generosity of Vice President Irving Sitnick, SPS members received a copy of the book

Killing a King: The Assassination of Yitzchak Rabin and the Remaking of Israel.

Twenty years after the assassination, author Dan Ephron will engage in dialogue with our community about the making of the book and the impact the death of Rabin has had on Israeli society and the world.

Everyone is invited to share this exceptional evening whether you read the book or not!



Join The Men's Club of SPS & The New York Mets for
Celebrate Israel Night at Citi Field - The Mets vs. The Padres
Wednesday, May 24 at 7 pm; Ticket price: \$36 per seat



We have a limited number of seats so please be sure to make your reservations early by emailing mensclub@spsnyc.org.



JEWISH COMMUNITY MEMORIAL SERVICE

Wednesday, May 24, 6:30 pm at The Jewish Center

131 West 86th Street between Amsterdam & Columbus Ave.

SPS is proud to announce that we are joining UJA-Federation and over 35 synagogues and organizations in this annual gathering during Fleet Week. The evening will begin with a memorial service honoring the lives of service members, killed defending our country and veterans who had a chance to live out their lives. We will also pay tribute to the continued dedication of our active and retired service members of the United States Armed Services.

Following the program we'll assemble care packages for service members abroad.

CELEBRATE SHAVUOT

Tuesday evening, May 30: Service, Dinner & Learning

Wednesday evening, May 31: Service, Dinner for Families & Program

The following members are celebrating birthdays and/or anniversaries this week. (April 22 – April 28)

Birthdays

Lilah Azizi • Stephen Bass • Mark Bibi • Jonathan Eisenson
Bernard Ellman • Rachel Feldman • Benjamin Finzi • Matthew Kaplan
Judy Kovler • Dorothy Krieger • Jessica Lappin • David Mandelbaum
Craig Motola • Carolyn Orenstein • Jerome Sachs • Maxine Squires
Brandon Swibel • Jeffrey Uffner • Ida Wallach • Tanya Weitz

The following members will be observing Yahrzeit this week. (April 22 – April 28)

	<i>April</i>	<i>Nissan</i>
Dana Renert	22	26
Marcia Renert	22	26
Lior Menzly	22	26
Gabriele Levy	23	27
Helen Wissak	23	27
Ira Haimowitz	25	29
Leah Gordon	25	29
Madeline Breslaw	25	29
Fara Satin	25	29
Helen Wrobel	25	29
Roger Cohen	26	30
Annette Foster	26	30
Vera Winitch	26	30
		<i>Iyar</i>
Burton Krull	27	1
Steven Schurkman	27	1
Barbara Klein	28	2

Lois Weaver Film Series - Doors open 7 pm; Film begins 7:15 pm
Wednesday, June 7: THE HUNT FOR THE WILDERPEOPLE

A defiant city kid Ricky gets a fresh start in the New Zealand countryside and quickly finds himself at home with his new foster family. When a tragedy strikes, both he and his foster father go on the run in the bush. As a national manhunt ensues, the newly branded outlaws must face their options: go out in a blaze of glory or overcome their differences and survive as a family.



Discussion led by SPS member **Anthony J. Selvitella**, CSW, psychotherapist and social worker at the United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). *Refreshments follow.*

Made possible by the generosity of the Coopersmith Family in memory of Martha's beloved mother. **Complimentary Admission**